

**WEST VIRGINIA RANKING CRITERIA
WILDLIFE HABITAT INCENTIVE PROGRAM
Woodland Wildlife Habitat Improvement
(Grouse, Squirrel, Turkey)**

Factor 1	Ownership	Points
	Private	20
	Corporation/Non-Profit Org.	15
	Public (Non-Federal) ^{1/} ^{2/}	5
	DNR ^{2/}	0
Factor 2	Stand Diversity (e.g. Dominant Oak-Hickory Stand = 1 type) (Each stand type must consist of at least $\geq 10\%$ of total stand)	
	≥ 4 Types of Stands	20
	3	15
	2	10
	1	0
Factor 3	Understory (Existing)	
	Understory is non-existent due to woodland grazing.	20
	Understory is well developed with a diversity of species existing.	0
	Understory is not developed or consists of a single species.	10
Factor 4	Contract Acreage	
	≥ 100 ac	30
	75-99 ac	25
	50-74	20
	25-49	15
	10-24	10
	<10	0
Factor 5	Contiguous Acreage (Closed Canopy)	
	>100 ac	30
	75-99 ac	25
	50-74 ac	20
	25-49 ac	15
	10-24 ac	10
	<10	0

^{1/} State, County, City, SCD, etc.

^{2/} Requires State Conservationist Approval

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Factor 6	Length:Width ratio of woodland area (within contract)	Points
	1:1 or 2:1	10
	3:1 or 4:1	5
	>4:1	0
Factor 7	Objective	
	Grouse Habitat	15
	Squirrel	10
	Turkey	5
	Other	0

TOTAL POINTS: _____

TOTAL MAXIMUM POINTS: 150

Threshold Value 50 Points